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EXAMINER'S COMMENT

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

- 1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 04/05/2010 has been entered.
- 2. Claims 1, 3, 7-9, 12, 15, 16, 19 and 20 have been amended; claim 4 has been cancelled. Claims 1-3 and 5-20 remain pending.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with James Livingston (Reg No. 55, 394) on 06/09/2010.

4. The application has been amended as follows:

In Claim 1, line 3, after "computer software programs" delete –which can be--;

In Claim 7, lines 2-3, after "computer software programs" delete –which can be--;

In Claim 12, line 3, after "computer software programs" delete –which can be--;

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In Claim 12, line 10, please replace "being capable of" with --performs the steps of--;

In Claim 12, line 21, please replace "being capable of decrypting" with --decrypts--;

In Claim 12, line 38, please replace "is capable of inserting" with --inserts--;

In Claim 12, line 44, please replace "is capable of verifying" with --verifies--;

In Claim 12, line 52, please replace "is capable of preventing" with --prevents--;

Claim 15, lines 1-3, please replace "A transmitter (4) which is suitable for carrying out a method according to claim 1, this transmitter (4) being capable of:" with -- "

The method according to claim 1, wherein the transmitter performs the steps of:
"--;

In Claim 15, line 14, please replace "is capable of inserting" with --inserts--;

Claim 16, lines 1-3, please replace "A decoder (6, 82) which is suitable for carrying out a method according to claim 1, this decoder (6,82) being capable of decrypting the information:" with -- "The method according to claim 1, wherein the decoder decrypts the information "--;

In Claim 16, lines 17-18, please replace "is capable of preventing" with --prevents--;

In Claim 17, line 1, please replace "The decoder (6, 82)" with -- The method--;

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In Claim 18, line 1, please replace "The decoder (6, 82)" with --The method--.

Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-3 and 5-20 are allowed.

- 6. Regarding claims 10 and 11, examiner interpreted "information recording medium" to mean only physical memory per the specification page 10 last line.
- 7. This communication warrants No Examiner's Reason for Allowance, applicant's reply make evident the reasons for allowance, satisfying the "record as a whole" proviso of the rule 37 CFR 1.104(e). Specifically, applicant's remarks filed on 04/05/2010 are persuasive, as such the reasons for allowance are in all probability evident from the record and no statement is deemed necessary (see MPEP 1302.14).
- 8. Any comments Applicants considers necessary must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and to avoid processing delays, should preferable accompany the Issue Fees. Such submission should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance". In event of any post-allowance papers (e.g. IDS, 312 amendment, petition, etc.), Applicant is exhorted to mail papers to the Production Control branch in Publications or faxed to post-allowance papers correspondence branch at (703) 308-5864 to expedite issuing process or call PUB's Customer Service if any questions at (703) 305-8497.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to HADI ARMOUCHE whose telephone number is

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(571)270-3618. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 7:30-5:00 and Fridays half day.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on (571) 272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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